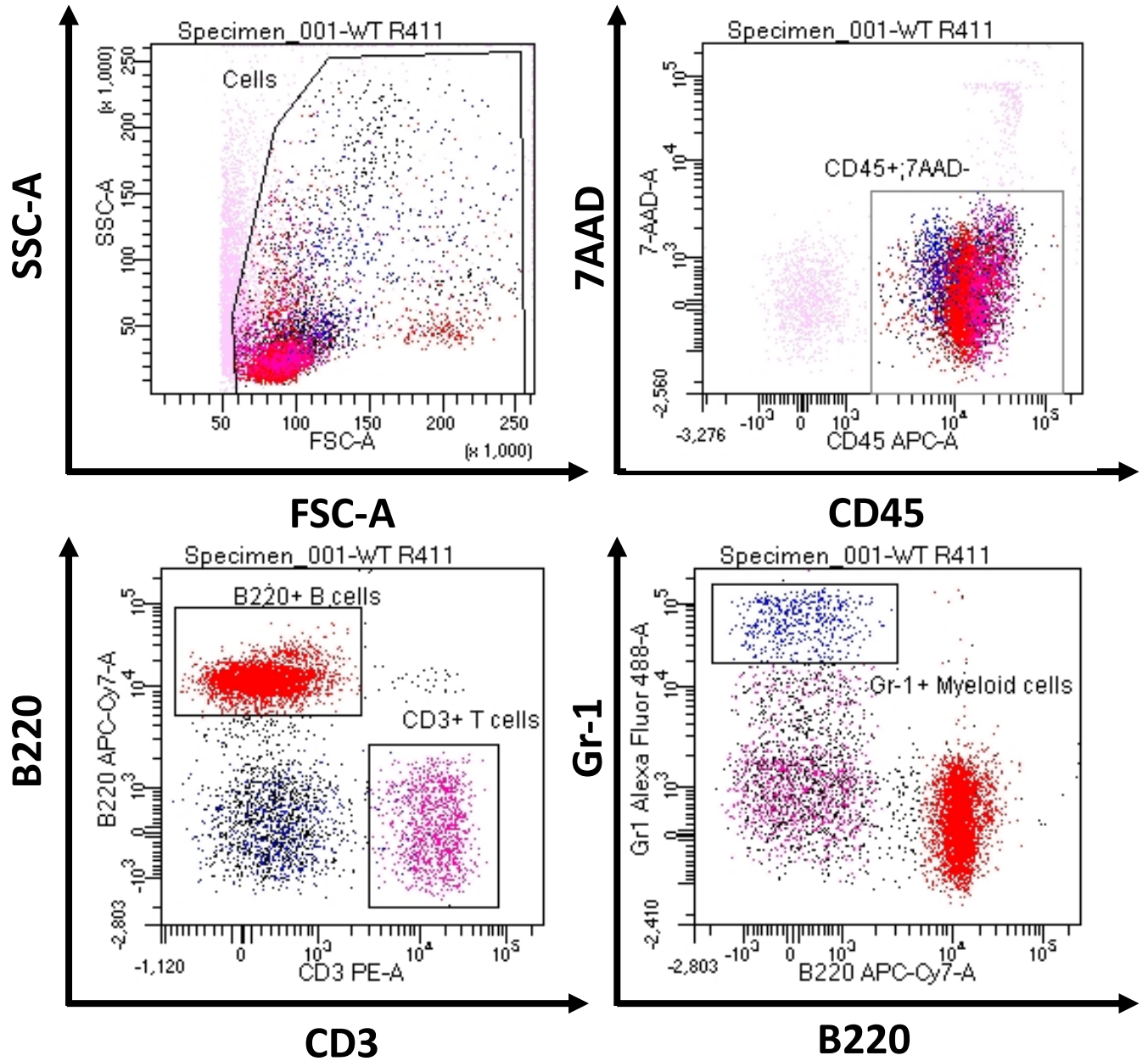


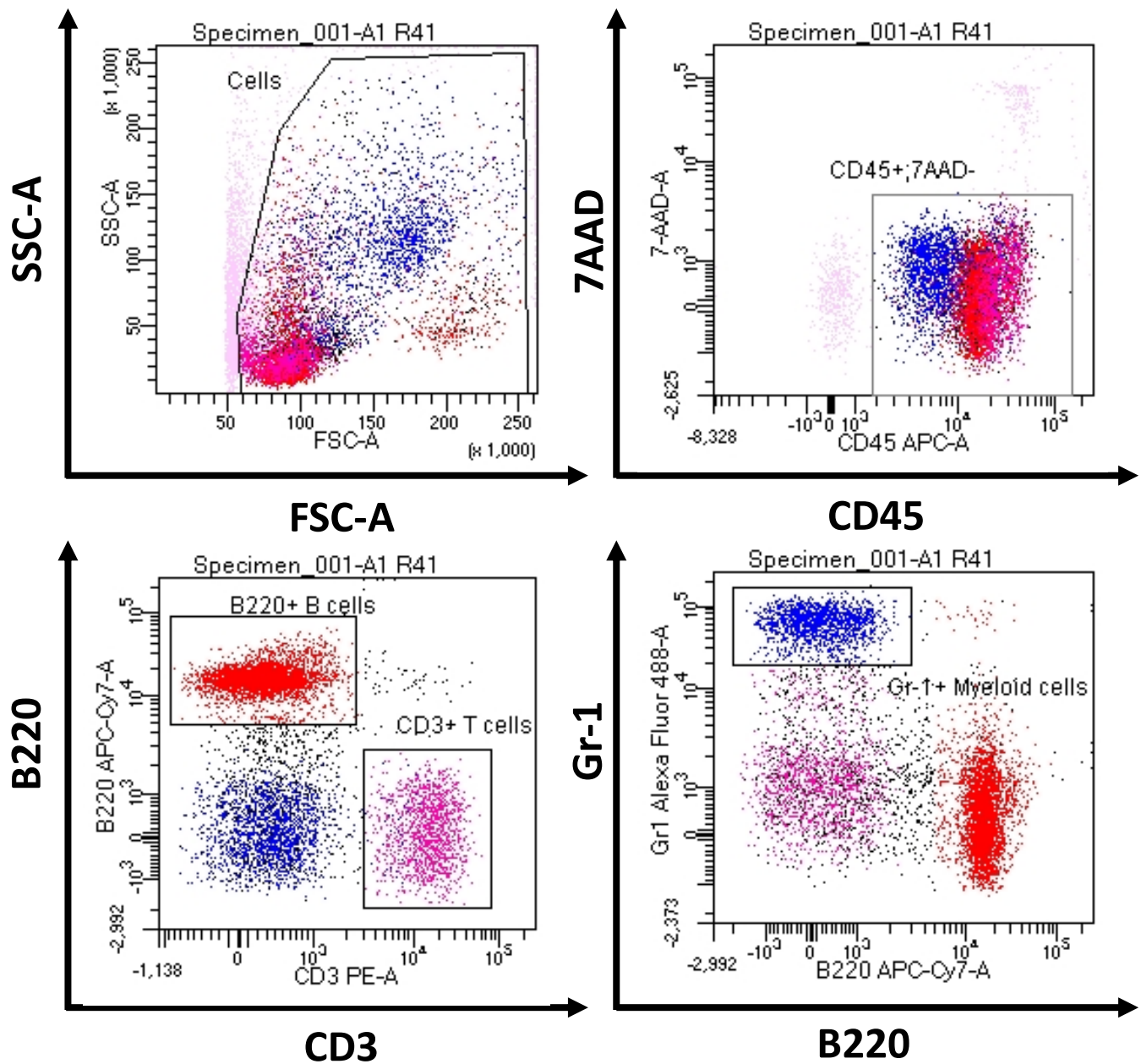
Supporting Information for

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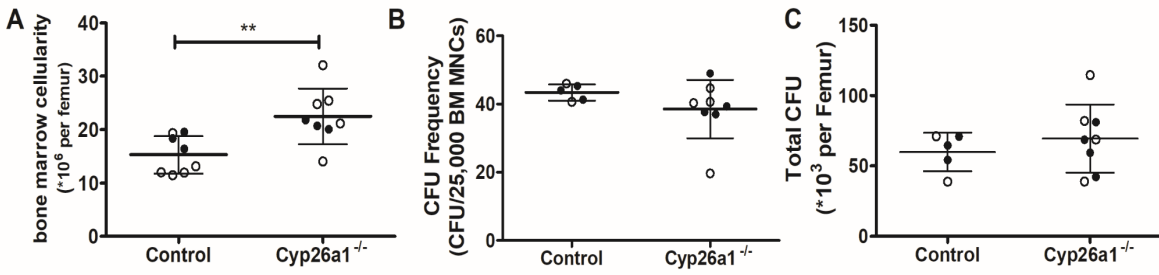
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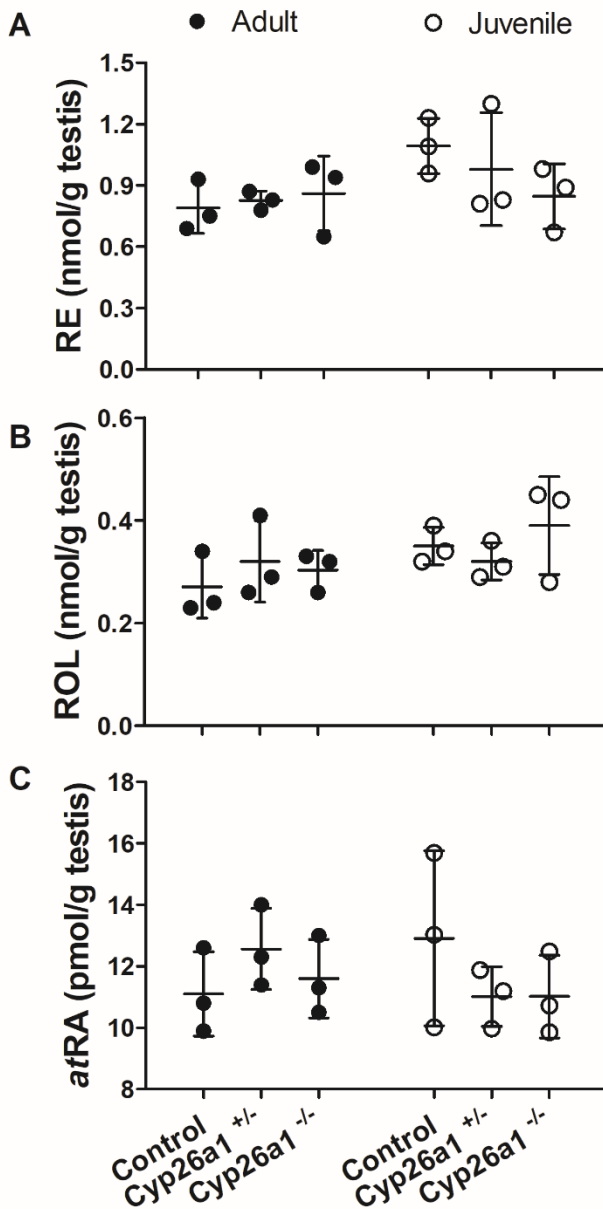
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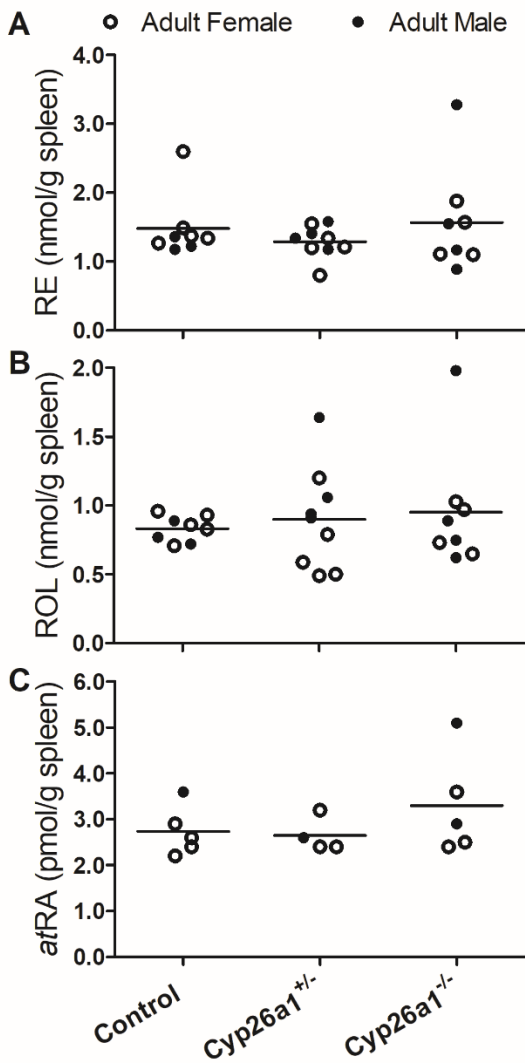
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Supplemental Figure S3. Analysis of A) bone marrow (BM) cellularity, B) CFU frequency in BM and C) absolute number of CFU in BM obtained from *Cyp26a1*^{+/+} (control) and *Cyp26a1*^{-/-} mice. Horizontal lines indicate mean values and error bars indicate S.D.. Each data point represents an individual mouse. The filled and open symbols represent male and female mice, respectively.



Supplemental Figure S4. Testis retinoid concentrations in *Cyp26a1*^{-/-} mice in comparison to *Cyp26a1*^{+/-} and *Cyp26a1*^{+/+} (control) mice. The knock-out of *Cyp26a1* was induced either in adult (closed symbols) or juvenile (open symbols) animals as described in the methods section. In all panels, the horizontal lines indicate mean values and error bars indicate S.D.. Each data point represents an individual mouse. There were no differences in testis concentrations of any of the retinoids between genotypes.



Supplemental Figure S5. Analysis of concentrations of A) retinyl esters (RE), B) retinol (ROL) and C) atRA in spleen samples from *Cyp26a1*^{+/+} (control), *Cyp26a1*^{+/-} and *Cyp26a1*^{-/-} adult mice. The horizontal lines indicate mean values and each data point represents an individual mouse.

Supplemental Table S1. Input values of all pharmacokinetic, physicochemical, and physiological parameters used in the semi-physiologically-based model to simulate *atRA* disposition. Physiological parameters including volumes and blood flows are extracted from real mice data based on Brown RP, Delp MD, Lindstedt SL, Rhomberg LR, Beliles RP. Physiological parameter values for physiologically based pharmacokinetic models. *Toxicol Ind Health*. 1997;13(4):407-84.

| Parameter | Unit | Value |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|
| $k_{f,fast}$ | nmol/hr | 0 |
| $k_{f,slow}$ | nmol/hr | 15 |
| $k_{f,liver}$ | nmol/hr | 2 |
| $V_{central}$ | L | 0.001 |
| V_{fast} | L | 0.003 |
| V_{slow} | L | 0.015 |
| V_{liver} | L | 0.001 |
| $Q_{cardiac\ output}$ | L/hr | 6 |
| Q_{fast} | L/hr | 2.5 |
| Q_{slow} | L/hr | 2.5 |
| Q_{liver} | L/hr | 1 |
| $f_{u,p}$ | - | 1 |
| B/P | - | 1 |
| $K_{p,fast}$ | - | 1 |
| $K_{p,slow}$ | - | 1 |
| $K_{p,liver}$ | - | 3.79 |
| $CL_{int,fast}$ | L/hr | 0 |
| $CL_{int,slow}$ | L/hr | 10 |
| $CL_{int,liver}$ | L/hr | 0.03 |
| CL_{pd} | L/hr | 10,000 |
| $K_{m,cyp26a1}$ | nmol/L | 1,000 |
| $K_{m,cyp26b1}$ | nmol/L | 10 |
| k_a | hr ⁻¹ | 1 |
| i.p. dose | nmol | 500 |